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C O R R E C T E D C O P Y (TEXT)

E.O. 11652: NA

TAGS: APER OVIP (MCELHINEY, THOMAS W.)

SUBJ: ARRIVAL PROCEUDRES

FOR MCELHINEY FROM CHARGE

1. PROSPECT SET FORTH IN ADDIS 1859 WILL UNDOUBTEDLY  
INFLUENCE YOUR THINKING REGARDING DATE OF ARRIVAL IN ADDIS.

2. THERE IS NO WAY FOR YOU TO AVOID AN EARLY MORNING  
ARRIVAL (USUALLY 0720) IN ADDIS IF YOU COME VIA  
EUROPE AND, AS IS DESIRABLE, TAKE ETHIOPIAN AIRLINES.  
BOT WETHIOPIAN OFFICIALS AND EMBASSY STAFF ARE ALL TOO  
WELL ACCUSTOMED TO SUCH ARRIVALS AND WOULD CERTAINLY NOT  
BE SERIOUSLY INCONVENIENCED IN THIS CASE. NEVERTHELESS,  
YOU MAY WISH CONSIDER ALTERNATIVE OF TAKING PANAM 188  
FROM JFK AT 2000 ON THURSDAY AND ARRIVING NAIR  
GI AT  
2325 ON FRIDAY. YOU COULD THEN TAKE ETHIOPIAN 794 AT  
1020 ON SATURDAY AND ARRIVE HERE AT NOON. THIS SEEMS  
SOMEWHAT EASIER UNLESS YOU STRONGLY PREFER FRIDAY ARRIVAL.

3. AMERICAN AMBASSADOR ARRIVING HERE IS NORMALLY MET BY  
DEPUTY CHIEF OF PROTOCOL OF FOREIGN MINISTRY, SENIOR AMERICAN  
OFFICIALS AND THEIR WIVES, AND ONE OT TWO PRESS PEOPLE.  
MOST AMBASSADORS DO NOT MAKE AIRPORT STATEMENTS BUT WE  
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THINK IT WOULD BE USEFUL FOR YOU TO MAKE A BRIEF ONE RE-

LATING PRIMARILY TO YOUR AFRICAN EXPERIENCE AND YOUR ATTITUDE  
TOWARDS ETHIOPIA. IF YOUR PLANE STOPS IN ASMARA ENROUTE  
YOU WILL BE GREETED BY A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE  
GOVERNOR GENERAL AND THE CONSUL GENERAL AND HIS STAFF.

4. THERE ARE NO SUBSEQUENT FORMALITIES ON ARRIVAL DAY.

5. CREDENTIALS ARE PRESENTED WHEN THE EMPEROR IS READY TO  
RECEIVE THE NEW AMBASSADOR, USUALLY A WEEK TO TEN DAYS AFTER  
ARRIVAL, PROVIDED HE IS IN RESIDENCE IN ADDIS ABABA. I WILL  
ADVISE YOU OF ANY INFORMATION WE RECEIVE REGARDING HIS  
PRBABLE ABSENCE FROM ADDIS. THERE ARE NO OTHER FACTORS OF  
WHICH WE ARE AWARE WHICH SHOULD AFFECT DATE OF YOUR ARRIVAL.  
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